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SUBJECT: PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF ADVISOR TO A DIRECTOR

REFS: (A) MANILA 17125, (B) MANILA 17232, (C) TREASURY 75-188

1. IN EXECUTIVE SESSION DECEMBER 23, ADB BOARD OF
DIRECORS APPROVED BANK PROPOSAL TO ACCEPT CANADINA
DIRECTOR'S REQUEST FOR BANK FACILITIES TO ACCOMMODATE
AN ADVISOR FROM DENMARK. SPECIFICALLY BANK OFFICE AND
SECRETARIAL SERVICES ARE TO BE PROVIDED AT BANK EXPENSE AND
THE ADVISOR WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS.
BANK MANAGEMENT WILL SEEK PHILIPPINE GOVT APPROVAL TO
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PERMIT DIPLOMATIC STATUS FOR THE ADVISOR.

2. COMMENTS BY DIRECTORS REFLECTED CONCERN ABOUT ESTABLISHMENT OF PRECEDENT PRIOR TO BOARD DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVES AND OPTIONS FOR MEMBER COUNTRY REPRESENTATION RAISED IN AIDE MEMOIRE. CANADIAN DIRECTOR STRESSED THAT HIS PROPOSAL SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A SPECIAL CASE AND THE APPOINTMENT WOULD BE TEMPORARY AND COTERMINOUS WITH HIS OWN APPOINTMENT AND SUBJECT TO SUBSEQUENT BOARD DECISION.

3. U.S. DIRECTOR IN SUPPORTING SPECIFIC BANK PROPOSAL TO ACCOMMODATE DANISH ASVISOR TO THE CANADIAN DIRECTOR EXPLAINED THAT THERE WAS NO RULE OR PRECEDENT FOR THIS ACTION. HOWEVER, IF THE BANK PROPOSAL IS BASED ON PRECEDENT OF U.S. USE OF TWO ASSISTANTS, THEN U.S. DIRECTOR SAID THAT BANK SHOULD APPLY IDENTICAL RULES PRACTICED BY USADB (I.E. NO BANK OFFICE SPACE, NO SECRETARIAL SERVICES AND NO ATTENDANCE AT BOARD MEETINGS).

4. THERE WAS BOARD CONSENSUS ON CONSIDERING THIS PROPOSAL AS A SPECIAL CASE. MOST DIRECTORS EXPRESSED RELUCTANT SUPPORT OF BANK'S PROPOSAL AND SUGGESTED RESTRICTIVE CRITERIA FOR APPOINTMENT OF AN ADVISOR. SULLIVAN

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